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Applicant	General Electric Company
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Title: Hierarchical Constraint Resolution for Application Properties, Configuration,	
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED 11/30/2004

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 30, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

- A) Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper;
- B) Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper; and
 - C) Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.